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Title: Need to complete the bye-pass on NH-47 from Mevaram to Kavanad in Kollam district, Kerala.

SHRI N. PEETHAMBARA KURUP (KOLLAM): Respected Madam, I may kindly be permitted to raise the following under matter of urgent public importance today. The National Highway No.47 is one of the most important Highways passing through the middle of Kerala touching the capital city Trivandrum and then to Tamil Nadu border.

MADAM SPEAKER: This is 'Zero Hour'. If it is not 'Zero Hour' matter, you may raise it later. Shri Lalu Prasad.

...(Interruptions)

MADAM SPEAKER: Are you stating something about 'Zero Hour'? Please raise it.

SHRI N. PEETHAMBARA KURUP: The Highway authorities have legally acquired sufficient land to construct a bypass from Mevaram to Kavanad in Kollam District. Few kilometres of the road has been completed. The other portion remains in the unfinished form. The situation is so grave that it leads to a number of road accidents in Kerala.

Therefore, I would request the Central Government to direct the National Highway authorities to complete the above-mentioned bypass work at the earliest to save the precious lives of thousands of people.

PROF. K.V. THOMAS (ERNAKULAM): Madam Speaker, I would like to associate myself with Shri N. Peethambara Kurup about this important matter.

MADAM SPEAKER: All right.